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## GORDON'S FAREWELL

The Ex-Confederate General Returns as Commander-in-Chief of the Confederate Veterans.

## PLEDGES DEVOTION TO THE UNION.

W. J. Calhoun, of Danville, May Be Come Comptroller of the Treasury—Position Said to Be Subject to Acceptance.

Nashville, Tenn., June 23.—The following is an abstract of the farewell address of Gen. John B. Gordon on his retirement as commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans.

After referring to the rapid growth of the organization during the eight years since he was elected, from ten camps to more than a thousand, he said: "It is an army still, but an army for the bloody work of war no longer. Its banners no longer bear the flaming insignia of battle. Its weapons no longer flash defiance to foe nor deal death to opposing rank. Its weapons are now the pen, without malice, the tongue, without aspersion, and history without misrepresentation. Its aims are peaceful, patriotic and philanthropic. Failing after the most desperate defensive struggle in human annals to establish their cherished confederacy, these high-souled sons of the south offer their record of devotion as the noblest pledge of their fealty of freedom and their readiness to defend the republic of the fathers."

Gordon Re-elected.

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CALHOUN MAY BE COMPTROLLER

President Offers the Position to the Danville Man.

Washington, June 23.—President McKinley has offered the office of comptroller of the treasury to W. J. Calhoun of Danville, the special commissioner who recently returned from Cuba. Mr. Calhoun has not yet decided whether he will accept, and will not give the president an answer until he has consulted the members of his family.

It is probable, however, that he will accept. He said today that he had not asked for any federal appointment, and would consider the matter carefully before accepting the one offered him. The acceptance of an office that would require his presence constantly in Washington, he said, would compel him to break up his home in Danville, and this he is very much opposed to.

When Mr. Calhoun first returned from Cuba the president offered him the office of comptroller, but he declined to consider it. A few days ago the offer was renewed, and the president pointed out the fact that the successful management of such an important office would give Mr. Calhoun a standing in the legal profession that could hardly be gained in any other way. The salary of the comptroller of the treasury is \$6500 a year.

If Mr. Calhoun takes the office it will be without the endorsement of either Senator Cullum or Mason, though both senators would be pleased with his appointment. It is said that a few days ago Secretary Gage asked Senator Cullum casually to suggest an Illinois man for comptroller, and the senator replied that he knew of no one that he could recommend excepting Asa Matthews, who held the office under the Harrison administration, or Mr. Calhoun. At that time Senator Cullum did not know that the place had been tendered to Mr. Calhoun.

This position has been coveted, by some reports, with the office of comptroller of the currency, now held by Mr. Eckels and whose successor will be O. G. Dawes of Chicago.

DAUNTLESS' NARROW ESCAPE.

Key West, Fla., June 23.—The cutter Melane and the filibuster Dauntless are still anchored in the bay, and permission to go on board has been refused to all. The crews are kept so tight communication with them can not be obtained. It is reported that the tug went to Cuba and was on the point of landing when a gunboat bore in sight. She turned about at once and escaped seaward, followed by the gunboat, which fired at her. She dodged the Spanish vessel at night, but shortly after this a boiler plate loosened and left her helpless. She hoisted sails on her two light masts and proceeded to the Florida coast, getting inside the keys as quickly as possible, as Captain Meyers knew that their shift would be a short one if captured.

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## MARKET REPORT.

BY R. Z. TAYLOR.

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New York, June 23.—July wheat 75 1/2, corn 90 1/2, oats 22. St. Louis, June 23.—Wheat, cash 74; July 87 1/2; corn, cash 22; July 24; oats 17 1/2; July 4. Peoria, June 23.—Corn steady 3 1/4; oats steady 2 1/2; wheat 80 1/2; rye quiet, nominal. Chicago, June 23.—Live poultry firm; turkeys 6 to 7; chickens 7 1/2; spring chickens 10 to 12; ducks 7 to 8; butter firm; creameries 19 to 14 1/2; dairies 9 to 18; eggs firm, 8 1/2.

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Wheat—

July 80 1/2

Sept 78 1/2

Oct 76 1/2

Nov 74 1/2

Dec 72 1/2

Jan 70 1/2

Feb 68 1/2

Mar 66 1/2

Apr 64 1/2

May 62 1/2

June 60 1/2

July 58 1/2

Aug 56 1/2

Sept 54 1/2

Oct 52 1/2

Nov 50 1/2

Dec 48 1/2

Jan 46 1/2

Feb 44 1/2

Mar 42 1/2

Apr 40 1/2

May 38 1/2

June 36 1/2

July 34 1/2

Aug 32 1/2

Sept 30 1/2

Oct 28 1/2

Nov 26 1/2







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from .....  
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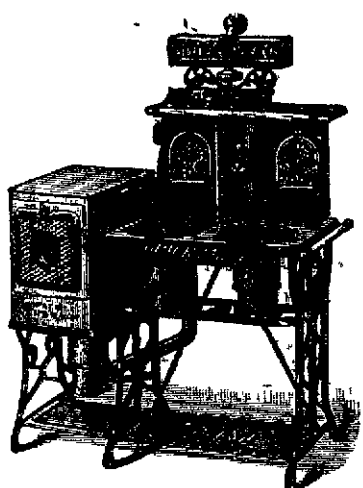
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## Fisherman's Luck

don't go in buying clothes. A man will tramp all day around a lake to catch a three-pound fish and then give it to somebody who likes fish—that's fun. Another man will shoulder a gun and beat tramp fire to fifteen miles to shoot one poor lone duck and beat Grover Cleveland out of his job—that's hard. A man will play tennis four hours in the hot sun just because some girl has remarked where he overheard it that "he did" look so stunning in his tennis suit—that's a "racket," but what in the name of common sense anybody wants to tramp around town on a hot day, looking for cool clothes, when they KNOW there's only one place to BUY 'EM RIGHT is more than we can figure out. NOBODY sells better crash suits than we do. Some folks get more than we do for them—but they don't give you any better suits. We sell crash suits at \$3.50 and \$5.00. We sell pure worsted coats and vests, blue serge, for \$6.00. You can PAY MORE and get worse "right in town." We sell Alpaca coats for \$1.00 and \$1.50. They're pretty cool. That's all they're for.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Wiegand. Moh 26 tf.

There are 99,800 teachers in the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

Albertine high grade chocolate creams, 40c pound. Irwin's Drug Store.

Extremely low prices on buggies and carriages for a short time only. Leon & Morris, 188 East Wood street.—23-d&wt

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

The teachers in the public schools of France number 139,800.

We will surely be angry if you do not ask us for trading stamps when making purchases of us. Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.—23-d&wt

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Wiegand are the best in town. Moh 26-dtf

Spain has but 38,000 teachers to teach its youthful population.

Take your coca cola ticket to Irwin's and get a drink free.

The favorite plump the year round are the Reed & Son's and Haines instruments. To be had only at the C. B. Prescott music house.

The Kingdom of Norway and Sweden has 219 professors.

Fresh frog legs from the celebrated frog farm of northern Illinois on sale at Pearl Oyster and Fish Company.—23-d&wt

A fairly educated lady or gent of good address can secure a permanent and paying position by calling at once, 441 North Water street.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 223 N. Main st. Duffee & Culp. May 25 dtf

The W. H. Jennings store has been sold to T. T. Springer. Mrs. Jennings's husband disappeared some days ago. She will go to Burlington, Iowa.

Fish Warden Sites, of Homer, Tuesday arrested twenty five persons, residents of Fisher, in the northern part of Champaign county, on the charge of seining in the Sangamon river. They will be prosecuted by the Fish Commission.

Every box of fruit bears my trade mark. If you cannot buy them from the dealers you can get them at the Riverside Fruit Farm. Raspberries, black and red. Orders by mail will be delivered. Geo. W. Stoy, P. O. Box 342.—23-dtf

Charles Lehigh, a well-known employee of the Illinois Central, running for many years between Gilman and Champaign, has lost his mind and has been taken to a private asylum for treatment. He was very prominent during the strike of the A. R. U.

Lightning struck the Presbyterian church at Gilman one day last week, but with no very serious results. The water works tower at Orange was struck by lightning one day last week and some damage was done to the brick work.

Simple Breakfast.

The Scotch make oat porridge the principal part of their breakfast, and this habit of the sturdy race is coming into quite general favor in America. Some fruits and grain with a hot cup of Postum Cereal and bread and butter is an ideal health breakfast.

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June 10-23w

## THE DEATH ROLL.

Rev. James Werner Passed Away at His Son's Home.

WAS SIXTY YEARS A MINISTER.

Had Resided in Illinois Since 1859.

Funeral Thursday at 10 a. m.—

Death of Mrs. John Faessler.

The death of Rev. James Werner, who for the fifth time was stricken by paralysis on June 11, occurred yesterday afternoon at the home of his son, John T. Werner, 959 North Union street. He passed away at 3 o'clock, conscious to the last, but unable to speak. He made an effort at intervals to speak to his son, but was powerless to do so. His death was not unexpected. He was in the 87th year of his age. He was the father of six children, three of whom survive. They are John T. Werner and A. M. Werner of Decatur, and James A. Werner of Platt county. There are four grand children and two great grand children.

The funeral will be held from the residence, 959 North Union street, at 10 a. m., June 24.

James Werner was born near Shippenburg, Pa., on March 7, 1811. His father was a farmer and his youth and early manhood were spent on the farm. Early in youth he was of pious disposition and began at an early day to study for the ministry. At the age of about 30 he became one of the charter members of the Church of God, which was founded at that time, and later became a minister in the church and continued in active service until a short time before his death.

The exact date of his entering the ministry was 1838. He entered upon his first charge near Shippenburg and had charge of a number of circuits previous to his removal from the state in 1859. In the meantime he was married to Mary Ann Taughenbaugh at Shippenburg on the 10th of October, 1838. In 1859 he removed with his small family to Eaton, Preble county, Ohio. In that state he still continued in the ministry but had charge of no circuit or church. In March, 1859, he came to Illinois and located on a farm six miles west of Decatur on the Mt. Pleasant road. During his residence he was not actively engaged in religious work and devoted the most of his time to farming. In 1880 he removed to another farm about two and a half miles northeast of where Wapensburg now stands and during the war had charge of the church at Macon. Later he left his charge at that place and assumed the pastorate of the church at Decatur. It was in the spring of 1888 when he removed to Platt county where he again followed the occupation of farming. While living at this place his wife died on April 14, 1888, at the advanced age of 84 years. About seven years ago the subject of this sketch left his farm in Platt county and came to live with his sons in Decatur. During his residence in Decatur he has filled the pulpit a number of times in the local church and has been actively engaged in religious work in Nebraska and Iowa. As a whole his life is regarded as the most successful and useful in his chosen work, notwithstanding a part has not been devoted to active service in the church. He was learned in the doctrines of his church and was regarded as one of the most forcible expounders of its faith. Many persons were converted under his preaching.

Mrs. John Faessler died Tuesday evening, June 22, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. August Rohrer, 155 West Washington street, aged 85 years, one month and six days. The deceased was the widow of the late John Faessler, whose body was cremated at St. Louis two years ago. She was a native of Canton Appenzel, Switzerland. The deceased is survived by four children, who reside in this country, and one son, Ulrich Faessler, who lives in Switzerland. The children residing in this country are John Faessler of Meador, Mo., Mrs. E. Wittenberg of York, Neb., and Mrs. August Rohrer of Decatur. The funeral will be held Thursday at 4 p. m. from the residence.

### PREMIUM LIST IS OUT.

Prizes Offered by the Association to Raisers of the Cows.

The premium list of the Illinois state fair has been prepared and copies are now being distributed. The premium offerings aggregate \$45,000, and the classification is made to conform as nearly as possible to that of the World's Fair, which will insure a greater uniformity of exhibit, especially in the live stock classes, than heretofore.

A program of special attractions to be presented during the week of the annual exhibition is being arranged and will soon be made public. Negotiations are under way with the managers of some of the leading attractions throughout the country, and the special features are expected to be more numerous and on a grander scale than ever before. Many applications have already been received for state for live stock and exhibit space for farm machinery, vehicles and mercantile displays by the leading manufacturers.

are and dealers of the state and country.

Among the other prizes offered by the association is one in which the corn growers of Illinois will be especially interested, which is as follows:

To the person raising the greatest amount of corn on one acre of measured ground, all things considered, first premium; one set of Fairbanks' farm scales and \$100; second premium, \$100; third premium, \$50.

The University of Illinois.

Commencement week at the State University this year has been more than usually interesting. On Tuesday, June 8, the new library building was dedicated. It is built of stone, fire proof, and one of the most impressive buildings ever erected by the state. The book stack will hold now 99,000 volumes, and with slight changes can be made to hold 150,000. The address at the dedication was given by Mr. McVill Deway, director of the New York State Library. The annual commencement exercises were held June 9. After the address by President Canfield, of the Ohio State University, degrees were conferred on over one hundred students. In spite of the Globe Savings bank troubles, the university is now in better financial condition than ever before. The loss sustained by the defalcations of the treasurer has been fully met by the legislature, and generous provision has also been made for enlarging the work of the university in the next two years. Three new schools have been organized. The Chicago College of Physicians and Surgeons has become the medical department of the university. A law school will be opened in the fall, and hardly less important than either of these is the new library school, which will undoubtedly be the best training school for librarians in the West. In every way, then, the University of Illinois is making rapid progress toward the first rank of state universities.

Talks on Bees.

M. Y. Givler, of Clinton, formerly of Decatur, is thus quoted in the Bloomington Pantagraph: "For a number of years past I have been handling bees and honey but that is not my main business. I have a bee farm of an acre and a quarter, over near Kenney. This spring I had thirty-four colonies and now I have about seventy-five. One day this month I had thirteen swarms come out in one day. White clover, on which bees largely depend, has been the biggest crop this year that was ever known. Until the rain of a week ago the season was not good for bees to gather honey, as there seemed to be no nectar or sweetness in the flowers. Dry seasons are always bad for bees. Last year was dry and I sold but 400 pounds or so, but this season I expect to have 2000 pounds to sell. Bees depend first on apple blossoms for their supply of honey. Next comes the clovers, red and white and the berry blossoms. About July 1 comes the bass wood, or linden trees, which afford bees much honey, and then comes heartsease, a common weed, closely resembling smart weed, but different. This lasts till nearly frost. I use a hive of my own invention which took second prize at the state fair, four years ago."

Methodist School of Theology.

The ministers of the Illinois Conference are at Jacksonville this week attending a school of theology. Yesterday the session opened with a prayer service led by C. B. Carlos, of Springfield. H. M. Hamill, of Jacksonville, followed with a talk on the utilization of the conference studies, which was followed by questions and explanations touching on the subject. A drill on the Methodist discipline was then given by President W. H. Wilder, of Bloomington, which was followed by questions of the undergraduates. The round table subject was "Sparks from an Epworth April," led by Rev. Joseph F. Berry, D. D., editor of the "Epworth Herald." The evening session was opened with prayer and music, and the lecture of the occasion was on "Epworth and Oxford," by Rev. Joseph F. Berry, D. D., Chicago.

Honorary Members.

Grateful for princely entertainment at Pana, the Illinois Association of Mexican War Veterans voted into the organization a number of Pana people as honorary members. They are, Mayor Warren Fennell, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Baldwin, Mrs. N. G. French, Mrs. Chas. Glasgow, Miss Lizzie Shaw, Mrs. Belle Griffith. Notice of the action of the association has been forwarded by Captain John W. Hartley, of this city, state secretary.

Powers Shoe Store.

The only shoe store giving out cash coupons with cash sales. When you obtain as much as \$10 in coupons you can get your money on them at Ochs's news house, buyers' and merchants' benefit bureau, 117 North Water street. \$19,000 in cash has been paid out to buyers in Decatur on the cash coupons by this bureau.—19d1w

The Decatur Guards.

Company E., Ill. N. G., will encamp over Sunday at F. J. McDonald's place two miles north of the city on the Water street road. Col. Calver, of Springfield, is expected to be with the company. Sunday visitors are cordially invited to visit the camp.

Will Give a Social.

The General Aid society of the Christian tabernacle will give a grand farewell social to the pastor, Thursday night, June 24. Everybody invited. Refreshments will be served. Secretary, Mrs. Chas. Wandel.

## FINE VOCAL TALENT.

Some Prominent Singers Studying in Decatur with Francis Fisher Powers

AT HIS SUMMER SCHOOL.

Many Here from Out of Town—Decatur Singers Make a Good Showing—Will Give Recitals.

Since Francis Fisher Powers, the noted vocal instructor, of New York, opened his summer school in this city there has been quite a stir in local musical circles and considerable interest in the singer and his pupils has been aroused. Mr. Powers came to Decatur a few weeks ago and opened his school in the Powers block. His season in New York city closes in May and opens in the fall and during the summer months he gives instructions at some other locality, this year having chosen Decatur.

Mr. Powers himself scarcely needs introduction. As a vocalist and teacher he is widely known and in Decatur he has been quite a favorite, having appeared here in concerts several times. Mr. Powers says that this year his summer school has been more successful than ever before. All his time during the day, from 8:30 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the evening, is occupied giving lessons. Besides the Decatur pupils there are now studying with Mr. Powers a number of persons from out of town, who are quite well known. Many of them are singers who have been under Mr. Powers' instruction at New York or have formerly taken lessons from him and most of them are studying vocal music with the view of following singing as a profession. Francis McClellan, of New York, is among the pupils who are here for the summer. Mr. McClellan is a fine tenor singer, with a promising future. He has been under Mr. Powers' instruction for some time and has been associated with him on the concert stage during the past season. Herbert Miller, of New York, is also a prominent singer. He has been on a concert tour through Iowa and having closed his season arrived here a few days ago. Mrs. Duncan Pell, of New York, is now finishing her musical education with Mr. Powers and will go on the stage this fall. She has engaged to play in "The Sporting Duchess" next season. She has an alto voice and will have a singing part in the play. Among the other pupils who are studying with Mr. Powers this summer are the following: Miss Jean Calaway, of Atlanta, Georgia; Miss Mattie Hawkins, of Memphis, Tenn.; Miss Alice Place, of Memphis; Mrs. W. B. Marshall, of Detroit; Mrs. E. B. Ragus, of Jackson, Mich.; and Miss Grace Brown, of Oshkosh, Wis., all of whom are soprano singers, and Miss Alice Pann of St. Louis, and Miss Jennie Fall, of Memphis, who have alto voices. Among the gentlemen from out of town are Victor Ballard, a baritone, of New York, Harold Hall, a tenor, of Chicago; Frank Reiler, tenor, of Iowa, and Fred Smith, a baritone singer, of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Powers also has a large number of local vocalists under his instruction. Of these he says the most promising are Frank E. Bunn, George Dunston and Miss Louie Boyd, who acts as his accompanist. Mr. Powers says he has had more pupils from the local musicians than he usual and that he considers the musical talent in Decatur of an especially high standard. Mr. Powers expects to give three recitals during the time he remains in Decatur. The first will be given at his studio in the Powers block on the evening of July 10, and on that occasion the principal singers will be Frank Bunn and Miss Boyd.

Sunday School Picnic.

This afternoon the members of the Sunday school of the College street chapel gave a picnic at Fairview park. The scholars were met at 2 o'clock at the chapel and were driven to the park in teams.

Yesterday afternoon the scholars of the Sunday school of the U. S. church gave a picnic at Fairview. A large number of young people went out in the afternoon and took their supper.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, June 23.—Partly cloudy to-

night and Thursday, with local showers

and probably thunder storms; fresh brisk

southerly winds.

Debs' Wild Plans.

The Chicago Tribune: Debs is growing

more extravagant than ever. His first

proposition was to get rid of republican

institutions in the state of Washington

and establish a "co operative common-

wealth" there. That is no small task,

though Debs is of a different opinion.

He has it all planned out:

When we have become thoroughly es-

tablished we shall put 200 men on the

stump throughout the state and make it

socialistic within twenty four hours.

Nor does he anticipate any interference

on the part of the general government,

because he proposes to proceed "upon per-

fectly constitutional and peaceable lines

and confine our operations prudently

within lawful limitations." That is

wise in view of the experience he has had

with the general government when he

was using methods which were neither

peaceable nor lawful.

Then Debs proceeds to state that—

There are those who insist that even if

we do the federal judiciary and the stand-

ing army will suppress us. This may be

true. With all my heart I hope there

are great questions can be solved in a peace-

able and orderly way. If, however, there

is an attempt on the part of the federal

power to suppress us while in the exercise

of our constitutional rights and prerogatives

as citizens, then they become the

rebels and are arrayed against the flag.

And when they send out the troops they

will be kept busy on the road across the

country, and when they reach the state

line of Washington they will find 800,000

American patriots prepared to meet them.

This is cheap talk. The federal govern-

ment will do nothing to Debs as long as

he behaves himself and keeps within the

law. But if he should attempt to over-

throw the lawful government of the state

of Washington, and that government

should call on the President for assistance

the President would have to give it and

suppress Debs once more. It is the duty

of the general government to protect each

state in the enjoyment of a republican

form of government.

It appears, however, that one state is

not enough for Debs. He declares that—

Co-operation cannot be established

within the boundaries of one state. It

must be national. One man alone cannot

be free. They must all be free.

The United States as a whole must

abandon individualism and accept social-

ism. Nothing less will satisfy Debs. He

is taking a big contract, which he will

find it impossible for him to carry out.

When he quits talking and gets down to

work he will discover that it is out of his

power to "socialize" a single small state

like Washington.

If he confines himself to lawful methods

success is hopeless. If he oversteps the

law he will have the present inhabitants

of Washington to deal with, and if they

cannot suppress him they will call on the

general government to do so. But mat-

ters will not come to that pass. Debs has

had his lesson. His bluster about a pos-

sible collision with the general govern-

ment is designed to outthrust his followers

and stimulate subscriptions.

Fighting Trusts.

"In the interest of monopoly" is a de-

claration frequently used in the United

States senate in the consideration of the

tariff bill. Those who use it do so on the

theory that protective duties operate to en-

rich monopolies. This might be true. But

it would only be a question of

benefiting our own monopoly or that of

some foreign state. But this is not the ques-

tion in the adoption of a protective tariff

system. The great question is this: Will

a given protective duty operate to put

American workmen to work? If it

will put half a million American work-

men to work is a given industry and the

want of that protection will enforce their

idleness and put men to work across the

sea manufacturing goods for our market

it should not require a statesman long to

determine which is best for our own peo-

ple, monopoly or no monopoly. Some

other way should be found to deal with

monopolies than by starving American

workmen to get at the monopolist. That

was the policy pursued in 1892, and the

result has been that the monopolist, while

he lost money, has managed to have three

meals a day and a bed, which cannot be

said of all his former employees, many of

whom through the prating of demagogues

were induced to vote for free trade to get

even with their employer. Protection

does not breed trusts as rapidly as a low

tariff does, as the experience of four years

of low tariff proves, but admitting, for

the sake of the comparison, that protec-

tion does breed trusts, it must also be

admitted that protection breeds a demand

for American labor, makes the American

laborer the consumer of American farm

products, creates a home market, and

makes America prosperous. Don't be de-

ceived by this cry of the free trader about

trusts and monopolies. Get at them in

some direct way, but never vote your job

away again, when you get it back under

protection, in the foolish and delusive

hope that you will get even with the mo-

nopolist and employer in that way, while

you bring idleness and want upon your-

self and children.

The report that a United States cruiser

has captured the filibuster Dauntless if

true will not be related by any consider-

able number of our citizens. The sym-

pathies of our people are with Cuba and

they are not in sympathy with that fea-

ture of international law which practical-

ly makes this nation police its sea-

coast to prevent the sale of arms,

ammunition and supplies to those

seeking to free themselves from the

yoke of despotism. The Cubans have

a right under the published and proclaim-

ed principles, which underlie our own

government, found in the declaration of

independence, to throw off the Spanish

yoke, and if they have that right they are

entitled to an even show in the purchase

of arms, ammunitions and medical sup-

plies with Spain. Under international

law a vessel carrying arms to the Span-

iards in Cuba might have been by the

side of the Dauntless and yet it would

not have been molested, while the Daunt-

less would have been arrested. This is no

doubt good international law, but it is

very shabby neutrality and that is the

reason our people don't like it and have

no sympathy with it.

Congressman Payne, of New York, has

a hoodooed postoffice on his hands. About

a year ago the Democratic postmaster of

Palmyra died. Subsequently his widow

was appointed to succeed him. She died.

On the first of the month Charles P.

## CREATURES KEPT IN DARKNESS.

Scientific Efforts Made to Make Their

Eyes Gradually Disappear.

A subterranean laboratory, which is

to serve a purpose of the greatest

scientific interest and importance, was

inaugurated recently at the Jardin des

Plantes. Certain animals are to be

placed there and deprived of all light,

with the object of noting the slow

transformation which it is expected

they will undergo under their changed

conditions of life.

The underground passages which are

being employed for this strange pur-

pose were discovered only last year and

date from Roman times. The idea of

using them as a laboratory is due to

Armand Vire, who has made numerous

researches on the subject of cave-dwell-

ing animals, notably in the Jura dis-

trict.

The curator of the museum and about

50 guests were present at the inaugu-

ration of the laboratory. Access is

gained to the catacombs by a number

of stone steps which lead about 12

inches down until the principal room

of the laboratory is reached, a curious,

round chamber, the roof of which is

supported in the center by an enormous

column of stone. On all sides are stone

tables on which are huge bottles and

reservoirs, continually supplied with

fresh water, in which are dozens of

trifles, salamanders and fish of all kinds.

Galleries after galleries is fitted up in a

simple manner with stone tables and

every moment something of interest

catches the eye in the dim light from

the candles. In curiously constructed

cages are rats, pigs and other animals

which are being put to the test of ob-

scurety. Already they have apparently

become accustomed to their new life.

The light from the candles frightens

them and they scurry away for pro-

tection to the darkest corner of their pris-

on. The visit which was paid to the

catacombs of the Jardin des Plantes

will be the last for many a day. Only

very occasionally will an official de-

scend into these underground passages

with a red lamp to take food for the

animals, and more rarely still will Armand

Vire and his colleagues visit the labora-

tory. In the case of cave-dwelling ani-

mals very often the eye, having become

useless, has totally disappeared, while

antennae, or feelers, have developed.

Unfortunately, scientific men have only

been able up to the present to observe

these extreme types—the normally con-

stituted animal, the cave dweller. No

intermediate type is known. The es-

tablishment of the subterranean labo-

ratory of the Jardin des Plantes will,

it is hoped, permit of the "creation" of

these intermediate types, the minute

study of the phenomena of transforma-

tion, the atrophy of certain senses and

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For the 4th of July!  
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Now is the best time to make selections of Shirt Waists and Dress Skirts. Our stock is up to date and prices below competition. All our beautiful Organdies, Dimities, Jackonets, Lawns, India Linens, Dotted Swisses and White Goods go at cut prices. Toile du Nord Gingham at 6c, worth 10c. Handsome Lawns at 3 1/2c, and all prices on Wash Goods cut in same way.

Special Bargains in Millinery. We have a few exquisite patterns and large lines of Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats; Sailors Walkers, Tams, Etc., Etc., all go in this sale at Closing Out Prices.

We take great pleasure in showing our Splendid Bargains and cordially invite careful inspection. Respectfully,

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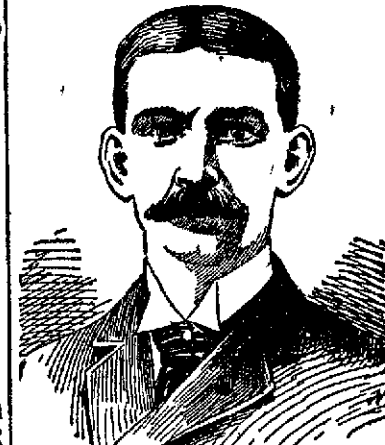
151 EAST MAIN ST.

### WILL BE COMPTROLLER.

C. G. Dawes, of Evanston, Ill., Has Been Offered the Place.

Charles G. Dawes is to be comptroller of the currency. He admitted the other day that he had been tendered and had accepted the appointment. Mr. Dawes then continued:

"I have much regretted the publicity which has unavoidably attached to the matter, for it seems to have given rise to the inference that I had some desire or expectation of succeeding Mr. Eckels prior to the expiration of his commission in 1898. I can say for myself, and I think I speak for all concerned, that I sincerely hope Mr. Eckels may see his way clear to the retention of his position until the expiration of his commission. His distinguished services as comptroller of the currency, rendered



CHARLES G. DAWES,  
(To Be Appointed Comptroller of the Currency in 1898.)

amid so many embarrassments and complications, have earned him the gratitude of the nation."

Mr. Dawes was born in Marietta, O., August 27, 1865, and graduated from Marietta college in 1884, and from the Cincinnati law school in 1886. During his college days he acquired the profession of civil engineering, and spent his vacations at that work, becoming the chief engineer at the age of 19 of what was then known as the Marietta, Columbus & Northern railroad, now a part of the Toledo & Ohio Central system.

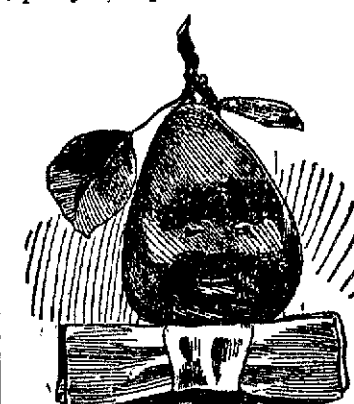
In 1887 he left Ohio for Lincoln, Neb., where he became prominent as a lawyer and business man. He was a leader in the discussion of the freight schedules of Nebraska about the time of and after the passage of the interstate commerce law. He was also a student of financial questions, and in 1894 published a book entitled "The Banking System of the United States and Its Relations to the Money and Business of the Country." He has been for many years a national bank director. In 1893 he became a resident of Evanston, Ill., having become interested in the Northwestern Gas & Coke company, of that place.

He was the leader in the McKinley movement in Illinois, which ended in instructions for McKinley at the Springfield convention. He was then appointed by M. A. Hanna as a member from Illinois of the executive committee of the republican national committee. Mr. Dawes is president of the gas companies of Akron, O.; LaCrosse, Wis., and Evanston, and is vice president of the Lincoln Packing company. In 1889 he married Miss Caro D. Blymer, of Cincinnati, and has two children. He is the son of Gen. R. R. Dawes, of Marietta, O., who was one of the commanders of the iron brigade in the late war.

### VERY CURIOUS FREAK.

An English Pear with an Amusing Portrait on One Side.

This is about the most curious specimen of its kind we ever received. It is a pretty hard pear, with an amusing



POURTRAIT PEAR.  
(Grown at Lytham Hall, Lancashire, England.)

"portrait" on one side. The lady who photographed it assures us that the pear was absolutely untouched by hand. It was grown at Lytham Hall, Lancashire. A gentleman's dress bow has apparently been placed beneath the pear, doubtless to accentuate the expression of sleek complacency that marks its broad "face." Forehead, eyes, nose, cheeks, mouth and chin are all defined in a really marvelous manner.

**Fog Purifies Atmosphere.**  
Fogs are said to be great purifiers of the atmosphere. There is a belief that smoke may be turned into a hygienic ally and be made to help preserve the public health. It is suspected that the breathing of arsenic and other minerals in a finely divided state, as it is found in the smoke from some furnaces, may account for the immunity from epidemics enjoyed by certain industrial districts, while pestilence has raged in elevated residence towns not far distant.

**Destructive Bullets.**  
Lee-Metford bullets were made effective during the recent Boer expedition through the soldiers shaving off the tops. This caused the case to drop off when the rifle was discharged, and enabled the leaden inner part to inflict a wound severe enough to stop the onset of attacking parties.



### HAB-ENI-MAN.

A Game Played in Joseph's Time Adapted to Modern Ideas.

Among the paintings upon one of the Egyptian tombs is a reproduction of the hab-eni-man, or game of the vase. However it was originally played, for all that is known of it is the picture and its name, it can be played in a way to delight nineteenth century children fully as much as it ever could have done the ancient Egyptians.

To play the game it is necessary first to make the target. To do this take a sheet of paper about three feet square or less—wrapping paper will do very well, or even old newspaper—and draw upon it with common writing ink 12 concentric circles at equal distances apart. This can be done by driving a tack or large pin in the center of the paper, tying a string to the tack and a soft lead pencil to the other end of the string.

When you have thus drawn the 12 circles you can go over the pencil lines with ink and number the spaces between the lines, tack your paper to a drawing board, bread board, or any flat wooden surface, and your target is complete.

Let each player furnish himself with a dozen pins thrust through bits of cardboard or paper, upon each of which is written a number or initial different from those of the other players, and also with a catapult, blow gun, small bow and arrow or a dart.

Standing off at whatever distance is agreed upon from the target, each player in turn discharges whatever missile is used in the game at the target, and he sets one of his pins in the circle he strikes.

If he hits one of the black lines he loses his turn, but if he does not strike the target at all, he is out of the game.

After the first shot the player can either remove a pin already placed into the circle he has last struck, or set another of his pins in it, or, counting from where any one of his pins are stuck, can move the pin, as many circles toward the center as is indicated by the number of the circle he has struck.

If this brings him to the center and leaves something over, he can use the remainder to place a new pin or carry another forward.

If while one player has one pin in a circle another player can place two pins in the same circle, the latter captures the pin already there and removes it.

If, however, a player strikes a circle already occupied by two pins, he does not lose his unless a third pin other than his own can be stuck in the same circle.

The circles are numbered from the outside to the center. The game consists in a specified number of points, generally from 25 to 50, if two are playing, or more, according to the additional number of those engaged in the game. When one of the players has no more pins on the target the game is ended.

Each player counts the number of his pins which have reached the center and the number of pins he has captured, and he who has most adds to his the number of pins left in the target.

It is an exciting game when two players have each a pin in the same ring and each pin is getting nearer the center; the apprehension and interest increase with the danger that having so many pins behind, one of the other pins may by a lucky shot capture his.

The aim of the player is threefold—to protect his pins by getting more than one in the same circle, to gradually win his way toward the center and to be constantly on the alert to take his opponent's pins.

As the taking of one of the pins counts for as much as getting one of his own home, it is advisable to use every endeavor to capture the enemy's pieces, and this is done by keeping the pieces behind them, so as to be able to take any advantage that may offer.

The game can be played on a table by using dice or a tictotum instead of arrows, darts, or anything of the sort, but playing in this way the element of chance takes the place largely of that of skill, and makes it less interesting—at least to young folk.

It is possible, however, that this was the manner in which the game was originally played thousands of years ago, when Joseph was 'prime minister in the land of Egypt.'—Boston Herald.

### Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida street, San Francisco, suffered from a dread cold, approaching consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. At West's Drug Store.

The Normal District Methodist Ministerial association convened at Minkon this week. There were sixty ministers in attendance.

### Birth of July Rates.

For a fourth of July the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will sell tickets at rate of One fare for the Round Trip between all points on its own line and within a distance of 50 miles to points on connecting lines. Tickets will be sold on the 24th and 25th, good returning up to and including the 31st.

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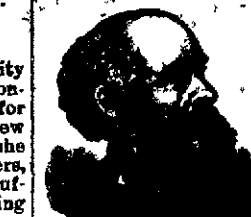
50 lbs. Gold Mine Flour, (guaranteed), per sack... \$1.15	3-lb. box Starch... 18c
Missouri Honey, per lb... 12c	Bulk Starch, per lb... 5c
Fresh Rolled Oats, per package... 5c	Salt Soda, per lb... 2 1/2c
Pitted Cherries, per lb... 15c	10c bottle Blueing... 5c
Dried Raspberries, per lb... 15c	10 bars Kirk's Soap... 25c
California Dried Peaches, per lb... 8c	11 bars Goss Soap... 25c
California Dried Apples, per lb... 8c	1 lb. good Baking Powder... 10c
St. Crown Muscatel Raisins, per lb... 5c	Oil Sardines, per can... 5c
Whole Dried Apples, (cored) per lb... 5c	Mustard Sardines, per can... 10c
Dates, per lb... 5c	4-X Coffee, 2 packages for... 25c
3-lb. can Tomatoes, per can... 7c	Imperial Tea, per lb... 20c
Sugar Corn, per can... 5c	Tea Dust, per lb... 10c
Early June Peas, per can... 5c	Large Grain Japan Rice, per lb... 10c
8 lb. can California Table Fruits... 12 1/2c	1 lb. package Washing Powder... 5c
1-gal. can York State Apples, can... 11c	All Kinds of Fruits and Vegetables in their Season.
1-gal. can Peeled Peaches, per can... 25c	Everything as represented or money refunded.
1 gallon can Apricots, per can... 25c	
10c package Starch... 5c	

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**Consumption** The idea that Consumption is incurable is a false one. I have treated a large number of well marked cases of this malady during the past fifteen years and I have succeeded in curing the greater portion of them. I would urge all who have symptoms of this disease to seek treatment before the malady becomes confirmed. I will cure every case before they are taken to the grave or gratification of the kidneys have taken place.

**Bright's Disease** I have never known a case of Bright's Disease cured by any other method than the one I have taken.

**Cancer** We cure this terrible affliction by eradication of the disease from the system. No cutting.

**A Business Point** I have never shared an endorsement, and in the future, as in the past, my patients will be devoted to my patients at very reasonable rates. CONSULTATION FREE.

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works  
from Sun to  
Sun,  
A Woman's  
work by  
Noon is  
done—

if she uses Santa Claus  
Soap. It cleans quickly, easily,  
well, the clothes you wear, the dishes  
you use. In the laundry it saves clothes, and  
makes your work light. Get a cake of

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## STATISTICS OF RAILROADS.

As to Length of Track the United  
States is First in the Land.

The railway mileage of the world has  
during the last 10 years increased at  
an average annual rate of 14,000 miles,  
and now stand at about 440,000 miles.  
It will readily be inferred that, in re-  
gard to length of track, the United  
States is an easy first. At the end of  
last year it possessed 182,500 miles of  
steam railway, as compared with 176,  
229 miles in 1894. For the whole American  
continent the total is approximately  
230,370 miles, South America boasting  
a trifle in excess of 24,000 miles,  
Canada and Newfoundland 16,230 and  
Mexico and Central America the rest  
—a matter of 7,640 miles. In the whole  
of Europe there are 161,500 miles, Ger-  
many leading with 29,240 miles, France  
coming second with 26,450 miles and  
Russia third with 23,030 miles. The  
place of Great Britain and Ireland is  
fourth on the list. Our actual mile-  
age in operation, according to the  
latest return of the board of trade,  
was 21,174 miles at the beginning of  
last year. Next after this country  
ranks Austro-Hungary, with 18,960  
miles. Asia, as a consequence of activity  
on the Trans-Siberian railroad, in  
British India and Japan (which has re-  
cently had its railway mantle) has in the  
last three years seen a remarkable in-  
crease, and the total now works out at  
25,400 miles, against 26,070 miles in  
1893. Of this total 19,700 miles must  
be credited to India; 2,950 miles to Ja-  
pan and 2,300 miles to Russia, the others  
being Dutch India, (1,260 miles),  
Asia Minor (1,100 miles), Ceylon, Siam,  
Malay and Port India, Ceylon China,  
Tonquin China and Persia. In the  
whole of Africa, which has an area of  
about 11,950,000 square miles, or about  
4,000,000 miles more than either Asia or  
America, there are about 8,500 miles of  
railway; while Australia, with an area of  
2,964,417 square miles now possesses  
close up to 16,000 miles.

In regard to railway mileage per 100  
square miles of territory, neither of  
the three great continents of Asia,  
Africa and America shows well beside  
Europe. There are ten countries in  
which the state does not control the  
railways, namely, Great Britain, Co-  
lombia, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Spain,  
Switzerland, Turkey, the United States  
and Uruguay. Eighteen governments  
own and operate some of their railways.  
These are Argentina, Australia, Aus-  
tria-Hungary, Belgium, Brazil, Canada,  
South Africa, Chili, Denmark, France,  
Germany, Guatemala, India, Japan, Nor-  
way, Portugal, Russia and Sweden.  
Egypt and Nicaragua own and control  
practically all their railways, while  
Greece, Holland and Italy own part of  
their several systems, but do not work  
any, leasing all the present mileage to  
joint stock companies. In Canada about  
one-tenth of the total mileage is owned  
and controlled by the government,  
which loses something like £100,000  
per annum on its operation.—Pitt Mail  
Gazette.

## HOT WATER SPRINGS IN IDAHO.

Flowing from a Mountain Side Two  
Miles from Boise City.

Nature now supplies the inhabitants  
of Boise City, Idaho, with hot water,  
and thereby helps them materially to  
be clean and healthy. The hot water  
comes to the surface of the plain at the  
base of the mountains two miles above  
the city and rises through a sandstone  
and porous eruptive formation. Seven  
years ago capitalists sunk three six-  
inch tubes 456 feet, obtaining a steady  
flow under a strong subterranean pres-  
sure of about 1,800,000 gallons daily.  
The wells are connected with mains,  
by which the hot water is led to the  
city, and to which service pipes are con-  
nected leading the water into the build-  
ing, where it is made to pass through  
the coils similar to steam heaters.

The natural pressure in this city is  
40 pounds per square inch, and the heat  
is registered by waste cocks, increase  
of flow indicating increasing heat.  
Rates are charged on the basis of the  
size of waste, and are little higher than  
coal. Two large schools, three banks,  
nearly all buildings, an immense natu-  
atorium and many dwellings use it ex-  
clusively for heating. No pumping is  
necessary. The water leaves the wells  
at 170 degrees and loses only five de-  
grees travelling two miles, as the mains  
are substantially nonconductors of  
heat. Eighteen large schoolrooms are  
heated with a waste pipe of three-  
fourths of an inch in diameter.

A promising well is now being driven  
one mile from the city, in the same for-  
mation, to supply the military post and  
add to the city supply, and shows an  
increase of temperature and flow, as  
depth is obtained. The waters are  
highly mineralized, but are unfit for  
table purposes, though excellent for  
skin diseases and bathing.—N. Y. Jour-  
nal.

## Treasure Ships.

Some of the famous treasure ships  
which lie at the bottom of the sea in-  
clude L'Orient, sunk by Nelson at the  
battle of the Nile, with \$3,000,000  
aboard; the Latone, sunk in the Zuyder  
Zee with \$7,000,000 in her hold; the De  
Brake, lost off Delaware bay with Span-  
ish bullion, and the ship Golden Gate,  
which went down off Cape Hatteras  
while returning from California in the  
'60s loaded with gold. Official statistics  
show that 2,000 vessels are sunk annual-  
ly, the vessels and cargoes being valued  
at \$100,000,000. The Atlantic and Pa-  
cific coasts are strewn with old and new  
wrecks, many laden with valuable car-  
goes.—Chicago Chronicle.

## Piling Up a War Fund.

It is said that Greece for the last  
three years has been defaulting 70 per  
cent. of the annual interest on her  
treasury bonds held abroad for the pur-  
pose of creating a secret war fund des-  
tined for use in the invasion of Turk-  
ish territory.—N. Y. World.

## Too Patient.

"You protest that you love me, Emily,  
but I am still waiting for the first kiss."  
"Well, why do you wait?"—Flegende  
Blatter.

Old people who require medicine to  
regulate the bowels and kidneys will  
find the true remedy in Electric Bitters.  
This medicine does not stimulate and  
contains no whisky or other intoxicant,  
but acts as a tonic and alterative. It  
acts mildly on the stomach and bowels,  
adding strength and giving tone to the  
organs, thereby aiding Nature in the  
performance of the functions. Electric  
Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids  
digestion. Old people find it just ex-  
actly what they need. Price fifty cents  
and \$1 per bottle at West's drug store.

Among proposed new houses at Dan-  
ville are the following: A \$5000 resi-  
dence for Dr. Marlin, a \$2500 home for  
D. G. Madison, a \$7500 house for E. C.  
Winters, and a \$5000 residence for George  
Wright.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras  
or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Na-  
ture by using DeWitt's Little Early  
Risers, the famous little pills for con-  
stipation, biliousness and stomach and  
liver troubles. They are purely vegeta-  
ble. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong  
Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Champaign has reached that state in  
her experience with brick pavements  
when extensive repairs are necessary, and  
the question of who is to pay, the city or  
property owners, is stirring up the rest  
dents.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bow-  
ers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise,  
while writing about DeWitt's Little  
Early Risers, the famous little pills for  
sick headache and disorders of the  
stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son,  
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A swarm of bees took possession of the  
attic in Dr. Miller's house in Gilman, and  
the united efforts of all the inhabitants  
there has so far failed to dispossess them.

Don't neglect a cough because the  
weather is pleasant; before the next  
storm rolls around it may develop into  
a serious difficulty beyond repair. One  
Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and  
will do what its name implies. A. J.  
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N.  
L. Krone.

When Postmaster Kenagier took posses-  
sion of the office at Dwight four years ago  
there were fourteen mails each day, now  
there are twenty-eight.

Sick headache can be quickly and  
completely overcome by using those  
famous little pills known as "DeWitt's  
Little Early Risers." A. J. Stoner & Son,  
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The Normal Distplot Methodist Minis-  
terial association convened at Minonk this  
week. There were sixty ministers in at-  
tendance.

Terrible Accident.—It is a terrible  
accident to be burned or scalded; but  
the pain and agony and frightful disfig-  
urements can be quickly overcome with-  
out leaving a scar by using DeWitt's  
Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son,  
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

There are already 2,500 books in the  
Allerton library at Monticello. It will be  
ready for the public in five weeks.

Not only piles of the very worst kind  
can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel  
Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns,  
bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin  
troubles can be instantly relieved by the  
same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son,  
Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mrs. Ryan Probasco, of San Jose, suf-  
fers from a broken ankle, the result of a  
horse stepping upon it.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One  
Minute Cough Cure saved my only  
child from dying by croup." It has  
saved thousands of others suffering from  
croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other  
serious throat and lung troubles. A. J.  
Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N.  
L. Krone.

There are only 8874 teachers in the land  
of Socrates, Aristotle and Plato.

A White Mark.  
Foley's Kidney Cure is a perfectly re-  
liable preparation for all Kidney and  
Bladder diseases. The proprietors of  
this Great Medicine guarantee to re-  
fund the money if it does not de-  
serve a white mark. H. W. Bell, N. L.  
Krone.

The universities and clerical colleges of  
Spain contain 880 professors.

Some for ten, some for twenty and  
some for thirty years have suffered from  
piles and then have been quickly and  
permanently cured by using DeWitt's  
Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for  
piles and all forms of skin diseases.  
A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros.  
and N. L. Krone.

Holland has 150 university and college  
professors, and Belgium 140.

Texas Tarsely Told.  
Foley's Kidney Cure is a safe, sure  
remedy for all kinds of Kidney and  
Bladder Diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L.  
Krone.

The Kingdom of Italy contains 86,400  
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W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St. Smoke the Little J., 6-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

National Kidney and Liver Cure 50c at Irwin's Drug Store.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-dtf

Ladies' Green Oxford, \$1.50 and \$2.50. Ladies' Purple Oxford, Children's Purple Shoes. Ladies' Green Bicycle Boots \$3.00. At Powers' Shoe Store. 21-d&wiv

In the county court Judge Hammer fined Gus Schuster \$5 and costs on each of two counts for disturbance Sunday. He is the man who had a quarrel with his wife and made an exhibition of himself at the Brown boy's funeral. He could not pay and the court sent him to jail.

Sheriff Neal, of Clinton, came to Decatur today after T. B. Thorson, a telegraph lineman, wanted for stealing a book entitled "The Kings' Platform," a \$4.00 pair of shoes and a coat and vest worth \$10, belonging to John Pettibone, of Wapella. The goods were found in Thorson's trunk. He was arrested in Decatur yesterday evening on a telegram by Officer Dempsey.

Why not be fair, we come here to ask only a part of the people's patronage in the clothing business and are not making any fight. We are not running against anyone, we only ask the people to share part of their trade with us. If we suit them as well as other merchants do. We are sorry to learn that it is reported by a few middlemen persons that Geo. W. Jones and James H. Hall are out of business. This is an error. Messrs. Jones and Hall have chief control of our stock and will be found with us to wait upon their old customers and invite new ones to investigate our new large stock of clothing, men's furnishing goods, hats, caps, trunks and valises at our pleasant emporium, 129 East Main street. Murray & Co., Decatur, Ill.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

—Will Roberts will leave Monday for California.

—J. S. Galvin went to Bloomington today on a business trip.

—Roy Bishop, of Cleveland, Ohio, is in the city visiting E. P. Bishop.

—Mrs. R. Burke, of Chicago, is in the city visiting her son, H. G. Burke.

—Miss Nellie Kalb, of Springfield, is in the city visiting Mrs. Anna McGowan.

—B. O. McKenry and Charles Powers have gone to Kentucky to visit friends.

—Miss Boss Charnock left this afternoon for Champaign, where she will attend the wedding of a friend.

—Edgar and Ben Bachrach are in Normal to attend the commencement exercises of the school.

—Guy Harkness, the Wabash telegraph operator, has been placed in charge of the office at Litchfield, at night.

—Guy Richter has gone to Dubuque, Iowa where he will accept a position with the Presbyterian Publishing company.

—Attorney W. C. Johns expects to leave the first of next month for Europe. He will take a tour through Germany.

—Miss Clara Bryan, who has been acting as bookkeeper at Neider's drug store, has gone to St. Joe, Mo., on a vacation.

—Miss Marie Nicholas, court stenographer of Trinidad, Col., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Nicholas, on North Church street.

—Harry Hays, who was in the city to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Hays, has returned to his home in Peoria.

—Miss Pearl Strong, of Albuquerque, N. M., is in the city visiting the family of Mrs. Anna McGowan. She is on her way to Toronto, where she will attend the convention of the Epworth League.

It will not cure everything. It is not claimed that it will cure but one complaint, that is dyspepsia. We cannot say that it will cure every case of dyspepsia, but it will cure a large majority of them. Such cases as are adapted to its use will derive immediate benefit. One small bottle will be sufficient to test it.

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A really palatable Castor Oil can now be had under the name of Laxol.

### THE CHORAL CONCERT

It was an Artistic Success—Grand Choruses and Splendid Solos.

### A FINE TREAT FOR THE PEOPLE

But the Attendance Fell Far Short of Expectation—Ovation to Mrs. Fisk, the Famous Chicago Contralto.

Those who failed to hear the grand concert given at the Grand last night by the Decatur Choral society, missed a treat that they may not have an opportunity of enjoying again in many years. The society had given two similar concerts at the tabernacle early in the spring, but the entertainment of last night was the crowning effort of the organization thus far in its existence, and it deserved substantial recognition and encouragement, which for some unknown cause was withheld. Prof. S. M. Lutz, the talented director, the principals, the members of the chorus and the fifteen members of the opera house orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Robert Walter, had devoted many nights of patient work and rehearsals to demonstrate what could be done in the artistic musical line by home people, and they certainly proved to those present last night that they had attained a high degree of success, which was fully attested by the enthusiastic approval with which each number on the well arranged program was received.

The principals included Mrs. Katherine Fisk, the gifted contralto of Chicago, who had previously been heard in Decatur with pleasure and delight. The handsome singer received a flattering ovation last night, and as she sang her sweet tones charmed everybody and won her the admiration and praise of the audience. Her vocalization was marvelous in reserve power and range, and the articulation was so distinct that those at the rear of the hall could easily hear. Her first number fully displayed the accomplishments of Mrs. Fisk as a mistress of song, and the succeeding selections, including "Annie Laurie" and "Good Bye" as encore numbers further emphasized the evidence of her gifts.

Mr. Milton Lutz, son of the director, gave a violin solo, with piano accompaniment by his sister, Miss Bertha Lutz. Mr. Lutz played without notes and scored a decided hit, winning a strong encore. His work last night was of a very superior type, better than any he has attempted in the past.

The members of the Arion quartet won fresh laurels, earning a hearty encore. No wonder they are always received with enthusiastic favor. In the song "Image of the Rose," with Mrs. F. E. Bunn, soprano, the gentlemen, were especially artistic in pleasing melody.

Roy Sanner's violin solo, the Hungarian Rhapsody, was well executed and was received with general favor. Roy, though young in years, is even now in a large degree master of the violin.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bunn were the home vocal stars of the entertainment. Both took the solo parts in "Miserere—Il Trovatore" chorus, and their work was so well received that the number had to be repeated. It is Verdi music that will survive through all time, and it was highly gratifying last night to hear it so perfectly illustrated by the Choral society, shaded and attuned as it was by the baton of the director. And then in the duet Mr. and Mrs. Bunn again appeared and pleased everybody by their vocalization. Mrs. Bunn also sang the obligato with artistic effect in the "Balmy and Soft" chorus.

The choruses were simply grand. They were seven in number, including Gounod's "Light and Gay," and were given by over 300 well-trained voices. The members of the chorus occupied raised seats on the stage, all of the space being taken up down across the footlights. The orchestra space was boarded over, so that the musicians could be in full view. It was a pretty picture. The splendid music was given throughout in magnificent style, every member of the chorus being controlled perfectly by Mr. Lutz. No chorus ever heard in Decatur equalled or expelled the sweetness, melody and artistic work of the home singers last night. Everything seemed to be pleasing to the ear and perfect in arrangement. The accompaniment was the Opera house orchestra, and by the Messrs. Bunn, Nichols and Gray.

The Program.  
Overture—"Morning, Noon and Night." Supper Chorus—"Frisco the Lord." Beethoven's "Ode—Aria, North Signor." (The Huguenots).  
Mrs. Katherine Fisk.  
Chorus—"Balmy and Soft."—Palmer Obligated by Mrs. Bunn.  
Quartet—"Massa's in de Col' Col' Ground."—Shattuck Messrs. E. W. Chilson, C. W. Montgomery, F. E. Bunn and C. N. Brown.  
Solo—Viola—Concerto—Allegro. Paganini Beethoven and Milton Lutz.  
Chorus—"By Babylon's Wave." Gounod Solo—"Oh, That We Two Were Maying." Gounod Mrs. Fisk.  
Chorus—"Miserere—Il Trovatore." Verdi Solo taken by Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bunn.  
Chorus—"Oh, Columbia We Hail Thee." Dopfretti Quartet—"Image of the Rose." Bachard Mrs. Bunn and Arion Quartet.

### THE GALA DAY.

July Fourth Celebration to be Held in Decatur, Saturday, July 3d.

### IT WILL BE A BIG DEMONSTRATION.

Plans Perfected for the Gathering at the Trotting Park—Speaking, Music and 300 Vocalists—Races and Sports.

All of the Fourth of July committees met at the city council rooms last night, with Mayor Taylor chairman, and Mrs. T. J. Abel secretary. The celebration is to be held at the Trotting park from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., on Saturday, July 3. At night there will be band music in Central park and fireworks on Lincoln square. It is planned as a great way for business for the merchants, day and night, the holiday for the merchants and clerks to be had on Monday.

The reports last night were of the most encouraging character. W. F. Calboun, chairman of the committee on speakers, announced that Mrs. Fannie E. Worthington, of Streator, would deliver the oration, and that Gen. J. H. Stibbe, of Chicago, the eloquent and humorous story teller, would be one of the platform attractions at the park.

Mrs. K. Harwood, the chairman of the music committee, stated that Goodman's band had been secured for the evening. Prof. Worthoff will have 300 public school children at the park to sing patriotic choruses. A stand will be erected for the use of the singers.

### Track Events.

This program for the track events at the park has been arranged by F. B. Mueller, J. M. Clokey and Harry Shlaudeman:

One-fourth mile bicycle.  
Fifty-yard dash.  
One mile run.  
Two-mile bicycle handicap.  
Half-mile walk.  
One hundred-yard dash.  
Half mile run.  
One mile open bicycle.  
Two hundred twenty yard dash.  
One-fourth mile run.  
Five mile handicap bicycle.  
Relay flag race.  
Running high jump.  
Putting shot.  
Running broad jump.  
Pole vault.  
Standing broad jump.  
Hammer throw.  
One of the events will be new in this part of Illinois. That will be the relay flag race. It is said to be extremely interesting. One thing that makes it so is the fact that it is all in front of the grand stand. Six men from each association will take part, each man running 100 yards. At the beginning one man takes the flag and runs to the end of the 100 yards, where he gives the flag to another man, also one of his team. That man runs back over the hundred yard course and gives the flag to another man at the other end. When all six have made the run another team comes out and makes the run. The team making the best time wins the race.

The four bicycle races will be open only to members of the Decatur Wheelmen's club.

It is expected that men from the Y. M. C. A., Turner, High school, and Wheelmen's club will take part in the events and a pennant will be awarded to the organization scoring the most points. Besides the pennant there will be merchandise prizes and medals to the individual winners of the events.

Notes.  
Mayor Taylor, Peter Loeb, D. S. Shlaudeman and Bernard Bradley were appointed as a committee to carry out all arrangements made on the day of the celebration.

It was decided to have 5000 programs printed for the day.

Ground privileges will be sold to the highest bidder, the purchaser to sublet as he sees fit.

All of the committees are actively at work. The program will be perfected this week, and when it can be had it will be published in full.

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